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ELIMINATION OF RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

Report of the Third Committee (Part II)*

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The Third Committee continued its consideration of item 93 at its 47th, 60th, 65th and 66th meetings, on 30 November and on 8, 13 and 14 December 1994. An account of the Committee's discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.3/49/SR.47, 60, 65 and 66).

2. At its 47th meeting on 30 November, the Committee heard a statement by the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance (see A/C.3/49/SR.47).

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION A/C.3/49/L.77

3. At the 65th meeting, on 13 December, the representative of Cuba, on behalf of Benin, Brazil, Chile, China, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Ghana, Honduras, Mexico, Nigeria, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname and Turkey, subsequently joined by Algeria, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Measures to combat contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance" (A/C.3/49/L.77).

4. At the 66th meeting, on 14 December, the representative of Cuba orally revised the draft resolution as follows:

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(a) In operative paragraph 2, the words "to earmark" were replaced by the words "to consider earmarking";

(b) In operative paragraph 3, the word "additional" was deleted before the words "human and financial assistance".

5. Subsequently, Côte d'Ivoire, the Dominican Republic, Gabon, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, the Niger and Panama joined in sponsoring draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.77.

6. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.77, as orally revised, without a vote (see para. 8).

7. Also at the same meeting, the representative of Japan made a statement after the adoption of the draft resolution.

III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

8. The Third Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Measures to combat contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance

The General Assembly,

Having examined the report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, 1/

1. Expresses its full support for the work of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance;

2. Urges Member States to consider earmarking funds specially for the mandate of the Special Rapporteur within the Trust Fund for the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination;

3. Requests the Secretary-General, without further delay, to provide the Special Rapporteur with all the necessary human and financial assistance in carrying out his mandate and enabling him to submit in a timely manner an interim report to the General Assembly at its fiftieth session under the item entitled "Elimination of racism and racial discrimination".

1/ A/49/677, annex.